

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An information processing apparatus, connected via a network with another information processing apparatus for distributing contents, said information processing apparatus comprising:

input means for receiving input of information from said other information processing apparatus;

first display means for displaying a Web page input by said input means;

output means for outputting, to said other information processing apparatus, signals corresponding to operation performed by a user with regard to said Web page displayed by said first display means;

distinguishing means for distinguishing suffixes appended to contents data input by said input means;

playing means for playing said contents data in the event that said distinguishing means distinguishes a suffix of said contents data to be a first suffix; and

saving means for saving said contents data and first information relating to said contents data, in the event that said distinguishing means distinguishes a suffix of said contents data to be a second suffix.

2. An information processing apparatus according to

Claim 1, wherein said first suffix is .ASF or .M3U.

3. An information processing apparatus according to
Claim 1, wherein said second suffix is .WMA or .MP3.

4. An information processing apparatus according to
Claim 1, further comprising setting means for setting a
storing area for said contents data and said first
information saved by said saving means.

5. An information processing apparatus according to
Claim 1, further comprising judging means for judging
whether or not obtaining second information containing an
encryption key for decrypting said contents data is
necessary, based on said first information saved by said
saving means; and

notifying means for notifying said user of the
necessity to obtain said second information in order to use
said contents data, in the event that judgment is made by
said judging means that obtaining said second information is
necessary.

6. An information processing apparatus according to
Claim 1, further comprising registering means for
registering information relating to said contents data saved

by said saving means; and

second display means for displaying a list of said contents, based on said first information registered by said registering means.

7. An information processing method for an information processing apparatus, connected via a network with another information processing apparatus for distributing contents, said method comprising:

an input step for receiving input of information from said other information processing apparatus;

a display step for displaying a Web page input by the processing in said input step;

an output step for outputting, to said other information processing apparatus, signals corresponding to operation performed by a user with regard to said Web page displayed by the processing in said display step;

a distinguishing step for distinguishing suffixes appended to contents data input by the processing in said input step;

a playing step for playing said contents data in the event that a suffix of said contents data is distinguished to be a first suffix by the processing in said distinguishing step; and

a saving step for saving said contents data and

information relating to said contents data, in the event that a suffix of said contents data is distinguished to be a second suffix by the processing in said distinguishing step.

8. A program storing medium storing a computer-readable program for an information processing apparatus, connected via a network with another information processing apparatus for distributing contents, said program comprising:

code for an input step for receiving input of information from said other information processing apparatus;

code for a display step for displaying a Web page input by the processing in said input step;

code for an output step for outputting, to said other information processing apparatus, signals corresponding to operation performed by a user with regard to said Web page displayed by the processing in said display step;

code for a distinguishing step for distinguishing suffixes appended to contents data input by the processing in said input step;

code for a playing step for playing said contents data in the event that a suffix of said contents data is distinguished to be a first suffix by the processing in said distinguishing step; and

code for a saving step for saving said contents data and information relating to said contents data, in the event that a suffix of said contents data is distinguished to be a second suffix by the processing in said distinguishing step.

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